

Firewise UK



BE AWARE AND BE PREPARED

Firefighters around the country deal with lots of wildfires every year, but they can't do it alone. It's important that homeowners help prepare their property and neighbourhoods for potential wildfires. The following action steps help support our firefighters in their efforts to reduce risks to your property and keep firefighters safer on the job:

BE FIREWISE

- **Identify ember traps around your home – places where dead leaves collect naturally eg: gutters and roof valleys, and clear them regularly**
- **trim back shrubs and trees that are close to or touching your house and dispose of the cuttings responsibly**
- **remove flammable materials eg: wood piles from the vicinity of your house, if possible**
- **screen areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent vegetation accumulation**
- **dispose of lawn cuttings and debris quickly and responsibly**
- **inspect roof tiles and replace or repair as necessary**
- **ensure your house name/number is clearly visible from the road**
- **consider any vulnerable neighbours who may need assistance with garden work.**